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The method of claim 88 wherein said method further includes:  
initiating a bonus period after the bonus pool exceeds a predetermined level; and  
paying the bonus award only during a bonus period.

Remarks

Support for claims 68 and 77 can be found starting at "Table 2 -- Reconfiguration Data Structure" beginning at page 47 and continuing for the next two pages. Amended claim 62 and new claim 88 include the limitation "selecting less than all of the gaming devices....," which is like one of the claim limitations in applicant's U.S. Patent No. 5,752,882 and in applicant's copending application number 08/467,793. Please examine the application as amended.

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